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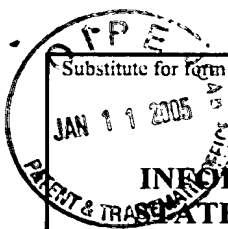
- (1) Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. (A) 4-333010 (OLYMPUS OPTICAL CO LTD), published November 20, 1992; and
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